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PERALTA PIGEON FARM TAKES TWENTY-EIGHT PRIZES

M. A. Denton of the Peralta Pigeon Farm entered thirty-three of his beautiful pigeons at the Thirteenth annual Southern California Fair at Riverside recently and had the extreme sctaisfaction of seeing the birds carry off nine ribbons in the first class, nine ribbons in the second class and ten in the third class making twenty-eight in all. The birds entered were Yellow Queens, Red Hungarians and Blue Barless Strausses and were all pedegreed stock.

Mr. Denton stated to a Recorder representative yesterday that he intended to enter the competitions in Los Angeles in December and also at the State Fair to be held in Sacramento next year. If he carries out these intentions he will, without a doubt have many more ribbons to add to those on display in his window at the Pigeon Farm on the Highway near Menlo avenue.

Mr. Denton also has a fine stock of dressed pigeons and squabs for sale in his market here. The market like the farm itself is up-to-date in every respect, with a refrigeration plant installed for the better care of the dressed stock.

LOCAL WOMEN INVITED TO HEAR LECTURE IN S. M.

The Woman's Clubs of San Mateo and North Burlingame invite the clubwomen and other interested women of the peninsula to join them in hearing Mrs. Grace Palmer Craig, well known lecturer of San Francisco who will talk on "Psychoanalysis in Every Day Life," at the San Mateo Woman's club house, next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Following this open lecture, Mrs. Craig has arranged to give a course of six lectures under the auspices of the San Mateo and North Burlingame Women's Clubs. The lectures will be given in the San Mateo Woman's club house, Tuesday and Friday mornings at 10 o'clock, the price of the course is six dollars.

Those who heard Mrs. Craig when she lectured in San Mateo last spring appreciate the splendid work she is doing and are grateful for the opportunity of having her before them again this fall.

HALLOWE'EN MASQQUERADE TONIGHT AT T. N. T. HALL

This evening will witness one of the most pretentious affairs in the way of a Hallowe'en masquerade ball that has even been held in Menlo Park. The big time will be held in the fine new dance pavilion built at the T. N. T. Service Station and the manager, Mr. Love, is authority for the statment that nothing has been over looked which will add to the comfort or enjoyment of those who attend the affair.

The admission will be $100 per couple and when it is consideerd that the music will be furnished by the famous T. N. T. Dance Orchestra and that there are many valuabe prizes offered it is a very reasonable charge.

Dances are held every night during the week with the exception of Saturday night in this big pavilion and the price charged is five cents per dance.

Don't forget the date, tonight, at the T. N. T. Dance Pavilion for a genuine good time and be sure and bring your mask.

STREET CARNIVAL TO BENEFIT FIRE DEPARTMENT

A street carnival is being held for the benefit of the fire department on the lot opposite the T. N. T. Service Station on the highway. Admission to the carnival grounds is free and all of the residents of this community are invited to participate in the fun offered the public on the lot.

There is a Ferris Wheel, a merry-go-round, dancing and all other forms of high class amusement are offered the public, and judging from the crowded conditions that prevail Menlo Park is enjoying itself at the carnival and helping the firemen out at the same time.

P.-T. A. COMMUNITY NIGHT ENJOYED BY LARGE CROWD

One of the best attended and most enjoyable affairs ever held in Menlo Park took place last Friday evening under the direction of the local P.-T. A. and was known as"Community Night." The auditorium of the school was crowded to enjoy the program.

A half hour of community singing 'ed by Mrs. J. J. Garland was entered into enthusiastically by the audience, who seemed to enjoy it immensely.

The Clark Trio of Palo Alto rendered "Beethoven's Minuet," in a manner which won for them much applause, after which they responded to several encores.

Charles S. Knight of the California Development Association gave a stirring address on "Community Spirit," in which he stressed the value of enthusiasm and urged his hearers to get their program right and then carry it through with enthusiasm. He also spoke of the need for co-operation. One of the amusing things which he said during the course of his remarks was that "The mule can't kick when he's pulling and can't pull when he's kicking." In closing he recited the poem, "Cities are what men make them."

Ralph Simmons of San Jose, well known vocalist closed the program by singing "The Builder" by Cadman, which was very appropriate considering the subject of the evening. He also responded to several encores.

BUILDING ACTIVE IN THE BEAUTIFUL HERMOSA TRACT

Work on homes being built in the beautiful oak dotted Hermosa Tract is progressing rapidly at this time according to George Stowell, who has offices on the tract and is at present engaged in erecting five fine new modern homes. Mr. Stowell will begin work on five more houses next week.

Water mains and sewer mains will be placed in the tract as rapidly as the work can be done and following this the streets will be improved by giving them a hard finish.

The homes in this tract are all of the modern stucco finish and are largely built along the lines of the Spanish type of architecture.

Louis Cohen, contractor will begin work on fifteen additional homes in this tract early next week.

IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION DANCE BIG SUCCESS

The dance given by the Menlo Park Improvement Association last Saturday night was one of the big events of the season and was a success from every angle.

A large crowd was present to enjoy the fine music and the floor was in the best of condition, as is usual in the T. N. T. Pavilion.

The Association cleared up over $100 for their treasury, which will be used in the interest of and for the betterment of Menlo Park.

MISS NANCY BARBARA TO BE BRIDE OF FLOYD KELLY

Miss Nancy Barbara, of Palo Alto will become the bride of Sergeant Floyd Kelly of Woodside at a miltary wedding to be held at the home of the brides parents in Palo Alto at four o'clock this afternoon. Miss Barbara's sister will act as maid of honor and Harry McKechnie will be best man for Sergeant Kelly.

The bride-to-be is well known and popular with the younger set in this section, and Mr. Kelly is also well known here. He is at the present time a member of the National Guard and also saw service in the Marines during the late war.

The young people have the best wishes of a large circle of friends for a long and happy married life. They will make their home in Palo Alto.

Dr. W. H. Zieber, who recently opened his office in the Brown building Menlo Park, is building a new home here. The doctor reports that he is very much impressed with this part of the country.

PIT NO. 4 PLANT OF P. G. & E. PROJECT TO BE COMMENCED AT ONCE

Announcement is made by F. A. Leach, Jr., vice-president and general manager of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company that orders have been approved for the construction of the Pit No. 4 dam and intake which is the next project in the Compayn's Power Development program on Pit River in Shasta County. This diversion dam is to be located about one and one-half miles down stream from Pit No. 3 Power House which was placed in operation July 18, of this year.

The company's engineering department has completed detail plans and designs for the dam and tunnel intake structure. The new dam will raise the water level in Pit River forty feet and will have a crest length or width of four hundred ten feet. The raising of this water level will form a reservoir of 1,550 acre feet, backing the water up to the Pit No. 3 plant; thereby making a second large lake in Pit River Canyon.

Construction of this dam calls for an expenditure of $1,750,000. Cost of the entire Pit No. 4 project, exclusive of railroad and transmission lines is estimated at $14,500,000. The work approved will be carried on through the winter months, employing at a minimum of 300 men.

About ten miles of additional railroad construction, costing $530,000 will be extended from the Pit No. 3 power house down the Pit River Canyon to the Pit No. 4 Power House Site. The road about four miles in length has been completed to the dam site. The pit No. 4 development is the fifth of a series of eight plants to be built in the Pit River Section, Shasta County, at a total cost in excess of $100,000,000. Hat Creek No. 1 and No. 2, Pit No. 1 and No. 3 Power Houses with an installed capacity of 235,000 horsepower have been completed and are now in operation.

O. W. Peterson, engineer of general construction and the men who handled the construction of the Pit No. 3 job under the direction of P. M. Downing, vice-president in charge of electric construction and operation, will be in charge of the construction of the Pit No. 4 plant.

P. T. A. TO OBSERVE FATHER'S NIGHT NOV. 13

The general meeting of the Menlo Park Parent Teacher Asociation to be held on the evening of Friday, November 13 will be observed as Father's night and following a short business session a splendid program will be rendered.

The four lower grades of the school are busily engaged practicing for a "Red Riding Hood Pageant" to be presented on that evening. The teachers, Mrs. Mark Loughlin, Miss Bertha Kuck and Miss O'Connell assisted by Mrs. Bert Ragan, the popular dancing teacher are training the children and Mrs. J. A. Morris is acting as accompanist.

Professor Otis M. Carrington of the Sequoia Union High School at Redwood City has kindly consented to give some musical selections and Prof. Henyeman will also favor with musical numbers. These two talented musicians should be drawing cards enough for any program but when coupled with the other fine numbers to be presented, the success of the affair is positively assured.

A social hour will follow the program and refreshments will be served by the club.

DUMBARTON REALTY CO. HANDLES PARAISO PARK

The Dumbarton Reatly Company, Wm. J. Murray, manager is now selling the lots in Paraiso Park, and prices range from $750 upward.

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STUDY CLUB TO HAVE FINE PROGRAM AT MONDAY'S MEETING

Mrs. E. Gardner, program chairman of the Menlo Park Study Club has arranged an interesting program in California history to be presented next Monday afternoon at three o'clock in the auditorium of the Presbytevian church here. Members may bring guests.

The program includes papers by: Customs of Pastoral California"; Mrs. Jay T Cooper, "Social Life and Mrs. D. B. Hampton, "Natalie Ivanhoff, a Fort Scott Romance"; Miss Stella Ely, "The Visit of Rezanof." "Concepcion Arguello," Bret Harte's poem dealing with the romance of Rezanof and Concepcion Arguello will be read. Musical numbers will also be given.

The executive board meets promptly at 1:30 and all officers and chairmen are urged to be there. Regular business meeting at two o'clock. Many important matters will be settled at this meeing and plans made for the entertainment of the San Mateo County Federation on Tuesday, November 10 by the Study Club.

Reports will be heard from the various committees, especially the committee who handled the booth at the Peninsula Carnival in Redwood City.

Mrs. J. T. Aabel, assisted by her refreshment committee will serve tea and a social hour will be enjoyed following the meeting.

CARDS MEET UNIVERSITY OF OREGON SATURDAY

By Don Liebendorfer

The Cardinal varsity eleven, now a full-fledged and dangerous contender for the Pacific Coast Conference championship, will be called upon to turn back a second invader from the north Saturday afternoon when the Lemon Yellow Gridders from the University of Oregon put in an appearance at Stanford.

Having successfully upheld the prestige of the Southern members of the Conference against the attacks of the Oregon Aggies last Saturday, the Cards will rul efavorites over the Webfooters. California defeated Oregon 28-0 last week and it will be interesting to see just what the redshirts can do against the same team.

Warner's men came out of the Aggie game without serious injury and started to work in earnest this week to prepare for the Oregon contest. Barring an unexpected upset Saturday, Stanford has one more hurdle to mount before the Big Game. If she can defeat Washington at Seattle on November 7, she will go into the California contest, November 21, on even terms with the Bears.

With Mitchell's return to the practice field, the Warnerites are all in fine shape. Mitchell hurt his knee in the U. S. C. game and he was unable to play against the Ags although he was in a suit. The Card backfield men showed a great deal of improvement last week, in handling the ball. In contrast to other games, not one fumble was charged up against them. This fact is probably partly due to the improved passing by Center Hal McCreery.

All four of the Stanford halfbacks, Murphy, Bogue, Hill and Hyland showed to good advantage and they were given fine interference. Captain Nevers stood head and shoulders above any other man on the field and his line was opening wide holes for him. The Cardinal forward wall was outcharging the Ags on practically every play.

Warner was well pleased with the improvement his players showed. Stanford displayed a passing attack, the like of which has not been seen here for many a day. This aerial game, together with the powerful running plays, which are now proving to be good ground gainers, makes the Cardinal eleven one of the strongest offensive teams developed here in many years.

Menlo Parlor, Native Daughters of the Golden West have planned a card party for next Wednesday afternoon, November 4 in Duff and Doyle Hall at 2 o'clock. A large number of very attractive prizes will be given to the high scorers.

PENINSULA CARNIVAL IN READINESS FOR TODAY--INTEREST INCREASES

The booths have been finished for the big Peninsula Carnival to be held in the Sequoia Union High School grounds at Redwood City Saturday from 10 a. m. until midnight, where al lmanner of things will be for sale to raise funds for the swimming pool fund of the U. S. Veteran's Hospital. The Runnymede Woman's Club is sponsoring the affair and has enlisted the services of practically every woman's organization on the peninsula to assist and the net proceeds will be devoted entirely to this worthy purpose.

Caesar Lencioni, a well known accordionist of San Francisco has consented to render special numbers throughout the evening and this will surely prove a popular attraction. A large number of other entertainment features will be provided in addition to the open air dancing from 9 to 11.

The booths will represent almost everything thing that can be handled at a carnival. Home cooked foods to take home, all kinds of refreshments to be eaten on the grounds, a miniature drug store, a rummage booth with hundreds of worth while bargains for those looking for good used garments and a fancy work booth where beautiful Christmas gifts may be purchased for any amount one may desire to pay.

Peninsula people who have a desire to assist in this worthy undertaking for the benefit of the boys are planing their Hallowe'en parties to be held at the Carnival where a good time awaits all who attend.

The women of the club wish it understood that every person who spends a dollar at the carnival will get their money's worth. Come and assist in this worthy enterprise.

FORMATION OF NEW COUNTY CLAIMED TO BE IMPRACTICAL

Much has been said regarding the formation of a new county from a portion of Santa Clara county and a like portion from San Mateo county and a communication appearing in the San Jose Mercury-Herald stated that the heads of committees of the chambers of commerce of the various cities embraced in the proposed new county were busy starting he legal machinery to this end.

The legal steps necessary, as uotlined in the general laws of California and entitled Act 1798, show that a petition bearing the signatures of at least 65 per cent of the registered voters at the last preceding general election in the territory which is to form the new county must be obtained, and in addition at least 50 per cent of the electors registered at the last preceding general election of the remaining part of the county to be divided must sign the petition before the matter can even be considered by the county board of supervisor to whom such a petition must be referred.

These provisions are embraced in the state constitution, according to District Attorney C. C. Coolidge, and no act of the legislature can alter them. The supreme court has held that the legislature has no power to divide existing counties or create new counties out of portions of two existinng counties except by the method indicated above, that is, by a majority of the electors signing petitions.

The state legislature has gone farther than the constitution, as the constitution states that no new county can be formed with less than 8,000 population and the legislature has increased this restriction by making the minimum population 10,000 for any new county.

Another fact evidently overlooked by those seeking the formation of another county is the provision in the laws of the state which make it impossible to set a new county boundary line nearer than five miles to the boundaries of the existing county set.

It appears that it is desired to embrace the city of Mountain View in the new county. In view of this fact it is pointed out that some years ago it was proposed to form "Port Alviso," and a strip of territory was added to San Jose by annexation extending out North First Street to a point where the Guadalupe creek empties into the San Francisco Bay.

Thi swould bring the five mile boundary of the present county seat to the boundaries of Palo Alto and Mayfield and leave most of Mountain View within the old county.

The same would apply to the including of a portion of San Mateo county in a new county to be composed of portions of the two counties. It would take the same petition with the same number of signers and a line five mile south of Redwood City, the county seat, would come very near San Francisquito creek.

After viewing these laws it is, according to opinions expressed by leading attorneys, practically impossible to establish a new county.

TELEPHONE COMPANY SPENDING $85,000 ON NEW WORK HERE

The extent of Palo Alto's development is illustrated by a statement made today by J. D. Worthington, district manager of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, relative to the extensive additions and changes that are being made in connection with the telephone system in Palo Alto.

The work being done at this time involves the placing of more than five miles of underground cable ranging in capacity from nine hundred to twelve hundred pairs and contemplates additions in the following districts:

Along the Highway from University avenue to Menlo Park.

Along Bryant street from University avenue to Encina avenue.

Along University avenue from Cowper street to Middlefield road.

A considerable portion of the underground work is being installed, at this time, in conjunction with other street opening projects, having in mind public convenience and the obviation of the necessity for opening streets after the new paving program is completed. Cable crews are busily engaged at numerous points throughout the affected districts splicing in the new extensions.

This work will be completed shortly. The total cost of the project will exceed $85,000.

An additional extension feature of inside equipment in the Telephone Company's plant department, at 449 Ramona street, is the replacement of the Wire Chief's testboard with standard two-position multiple testing equipment, being necessitated by the heavy and rapid increase of local service demands.

MENLO PARK STUDY CLUB TN ENTERTAIN FEDERATION

Tuesday, November 10, the Menlo Park Study Club is to entertain the San Mateo County Federation of Women's Club at the local Presbyterian church. A very interesting program has been planned which will be patriotic in nature owing to the fact that the 11th is Armistice Day. Vocal solos by men from the Veteran's Hospital, talks by Miss Pansy Jewett Abbott, superintendent of schools; Dr. J .H. Borden, U. S. Veteran's Hospital and Dr. W. O. Callaway of Burlingame and vocal solo by Mae Clark Burns of Burlingame are to be some of the features. A group of local boys under the direction of Mrs. H. H. Bearce will give a flag drill and sing "I'm Only an Armor Bearer." During the flag drill, Mrs. E. Gardner will recite "Old Glory."

Luncheon will be served by the hostess club to members of the executive board and their guests at 12:30. Members of the local club who wish to may have lunch also. The charge for this will be but fifty cents and it is expected that most of the members will attend. If you plan to attend, phone Miss Ely, 268-J before Saturday, November 7, so that preparations may be made. This is very important as the committee must know the number to prepare for.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Heltzel returned home on Monday from a four months trip abroad, during which they visited their former home in England. They report having had a very pleasant trip but are glad to be back in Menlo Park again.

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Curious Beliefs Regarding Snakes

In spite of the great decrease in the number of British reptiles, many superstitions and charms regarding snakes still exist.

The most potent charm against snakes is said to be a milpreve. Really, it is a place of coralline limestone about the size of a pigeon's egg. Old-fashioned people believe that on one night in the year all the adders meet together and start hissing. Their breath forms a bubble which solidifies into the milpreve. Whoever finds it is assured of good luck and immunity from snake bite.

Another superstition is that the breath of snake on a hazel wand will produce a hard stone ring which is an infallible remedy for snake bite.

Many country folk believe that an ash tree will keep off snakes. A peasant couple were horrified to find that their baby shared its morning bowl of milk with an adder. They tied an ash twig round the child's neck, and the snake never came near it again. But the child pined away and died, bemoaning the loss of its playfellow, of which it had become very fond, says London Tit-Bits.

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CHAPTER VIII

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In Which Hugh Drummond and the Reverend Theodosius Longmoor Take Lunch Together

"Rot, Hugh!" Peter turned a little irritably from his covert inspection of the Reverend Theodosius Longmoor. "You've got Peterson on the brain. Why, that old bird is no more like him than my boot."

"Nevertheless, it's Peterson," answered Drummond doggedly. "It's just that one trick he can never shake off—that tapping with his left hand on his knee—that made me spot him."

"Well, granted you're right," conceded Darrell grudgingly, "what do we do now, sergeant major?"

"I don't know, Peter. I've got to think this out."

"You're perfectly certain, Hugh?" said Peter, who was still far from convinced.

"Absolutely, old man," answered Drummond gravely. "The clergyman over there is Carl Peterson, late of the Elms, Godalming. And the game has begun again."

Darrell gave a short laugh as he noted the gleam in his leader's eyes.

"I'm thinking," he remarked soberly, "that this time the game is going to make us go all out."

"So much the better," grinned Hugh. "We'll add him to our collection, Peter, and then we'll present the whole bunch to the zoo. And, in the meantime, he shall lunch with us when Phyllis arrives, and prattle on theology to an appreciative audience. Incidentally it will appeal to his sense of humor; there's no difficulty about recognizing us. Look out, he's coming over."

They turned as the clergyman crossed toward them.

"Jolly old tum-tum beginning to shout for nourishment," said Hugh with an affable smile as he joined them. "My wife should be here at any moment now, Mr.—er—"

"Longmoor is my name," said the clergyman, beaming on them. "It is very charming of you to take such compassion on a lonely old man."

"Staying here all by yourself?" asked Drummond politely.

"No; my daughter is with me. The dear child has been my constant companion ever since my beloved wife's death some years ago. We have just returned from a visit to the famine-stricken area," replied the clergyman. "Most interesting—but most terribly sad. You know—I don't think I caught your name."

"Drummond, Captain Drummond," answered Hugh mechanically. "And this is Mr. Darrell. I think I have had the pleasure of making your daughter's acquaintance already. She was manufacturing woolen garments for the Austrians down here, and I retrieved an elusive ball of wool for her."

"That is just my daughter all over, Captain Drummond," beamed the Reverend Theodosius. "Never wasting her time, always doing something for the good of humanity."

But at the moment it is to be regretted that Hugh was not worrying his head over the good of humanity. Inconceivable though it was, judged on the mere matter of appearance, that the Reverend Theodosius was Carl Peterson, it was still more inconceivable that the wool knitter could be Irma. Of course Peterson might have changed his daughter—but if he hadn't, what then? What had he said to Peter Darrell when the girl, recognizing him all the time, was sitting in the next chair? How much had she overheard? And suddenly Hugh began to feel that he was floundering in deep water.

He glanced at his watch and turned to Darrell.

"Confound the girl, Peter! She's nearly forty minutes late."

"Picked up a pal, old boy," answered that worthy. "Picked up a pal and they're masticating a Bath bun somewhere. Why not leave a message at the door, and let's go on with it? I'm darned hungry."

The Reverend Theodosius beamed from behind his spectacles.

"'Tis ever the same," he murmured gently. "But it is the prerogative of their sex."

"Well, let's toddle in and take nourishment," said Hugh, taking hold of the clergyman's arm with his hand and pushing him toward the restaurant. "By the way, what about the daughter? Isn't she going to honor us?"

"Not today," answered the Reverend Theodosius. "She is lunching upstairs with the poor fellow I told you about, whose office was wrecked last night. He is sadly in need of comfort. I understand that the police are satisfied that three scoundrels were involved in the crime. And two of them have escaped."

"Dirty dogs," said Hugh, frowning. "Now if all three had been found adhering to the furniture it might have reconciled you to the loss of those hundred acid drops."

"In fact," continued the clergyman, helping himself to some fish, "the whole thing is very mysterious. However the police have every hope of laying their hands on the two others very shortly. An unfortunate clerk who was brutally assaulted by them has confided to his employer that he believes he knows who one of the other two was. A huge man, Captain Drummond, of enormous strength: a man—well, really, do you know? a man I should imagine just like you, and a man, who, popular rumor has it, is the head of a mysterious body calling itself the Black Gang. So that should prove a valuable clue for the police when they hear of it."

Not by the flicker of an eyelid did Drummond's face change as he listened with polite attention to the clergyman's remarks. But his brain was moving quickly as he took in this new development. One card, at any rate, was down on the table: his identity as leader of the Black Gang was known to Peterson. It was the girl who had found him out: that was obvious. The point was how did it affect matters.

"An elusive person, I believe," he remarked quietly.

"I don't anticipate that it should be hard to discover him, Captain Drummond," said the clergyman mildly. "Surely with your marvelous police system . . ."

"Shall We Drop This Beating About the Bush?" Snapped the Other.

"And yet, Mr. Longmoor," said Hugh gravely, "even though lately I have been reinforcing that system—literally helping them myself—they are still completely in the dark as to his identity."

"Incredible," cried the other. "Still we can only hope for the best. By the way, I'm afraid your wife has finally deserted you for lunch." He pushed back his chair. "I shall hope to have the pleasure of making her acquaintance some other day. And now if you will excuse me, I must run away. My correspondence at the moment with regard to the relief funds for destitute Austrians is very voluminous. A thousand thanks for the most enjoyable meal."

He bowed with a courteous smile, and threaded his way through the crowded restaurant toward the door. And it was not until he had finally disappeared from sight that Hugh turned to Peter Darrell with a thoughtful expression on his face.

"Deuced interesting position of affairs, Peter," he remarked, lighting another cigarette. "He knows I'm the leader of our bunch, and doesn't know I know it; I know he's Peterson, and he doesn't know I know it. I wonder how long it will be before the gloves come off."

CHAPTER IX

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In Which Count Zadowa Is Introduced to "Alice in Wonderland"

A quarter of an hour later the two young men stepped into Piccadilly. Evidently Phyllis was not proposing to turn up, and nothing was to be gained by remaining. The next move lay with the other side, and until it was played it was merely a question of marking time. At the entrance to the Ritz they separated. And it was just as he was standing in Berkeley square, waving his stick vaguely as a material aid to thought, that he felt a touch on his arm.

"Excuse me, sir," said a voice at his elbow, "but I would like a few words with you."

He looked down, and his eyes narrowed suddenly. Standing beside him was the hunchback, Mr. Atkinson, and for a moment Hugh regarded him in silence. Then, dismissing a strong inclination to throw this unexpected apparition under a passing furniture van, he raised his eyebrows slightly and removed his cigar from his mouth. Evidently the next move had begun, and he felt curious as to what form it would take.

"My powers as a conversationalist are well known," he remarked, "amongst a large and varied circle. I was not, however, aware that you belonged to it. In other words, sir, who the deuce are you and what the dickens do you want to talk to me about?"

"Something which concerns us both very intimately," returned the other. "And with regard to the first part of your question—do you think it necessary to keep up the pretense, especially as there are no witnesses present? I suggest, however, that as our conversation may be a trifle prolonged, and this spot is somewhat draughty, we should adjourn to your house; Brook street, I believe, is where you live, Captain Drummond."

Hugh removed his cigar, and stared at the hunchback thoughtfully.

"I haven't the slightest wish to have a prolonged conversation with you in any place, draughty or otherwise," he remarked at length. "However, if you are prepared to run the risk of being slung out of the window if you bore me, I'll give you ten minutes."

He turned on his heel and strolled slowly on toward his house, while the hunchback, shooting venomous glances at him from time to time, walked by his side in silence. And it was not until some five minutes later when they were both in Drummond's study that any further remark was made.

It was Hugh who spoke, standing with his back to the fireplace, and looking down on the misshapen little man who sat in an arm-chair facing the light. An unpleasant customer, he reflected, now that he saw him close to for the first time: a dangerous, vindictive little devil—but able, distinctly able. Just such a type as Peterson would choose for a tool.

"What is it you wish to say to me?" he said curtly.

"A few things, Captain Drummond," returned the other, "that may help to clear the air. In the first place may I say how pleased I am to make your acquaintance in the flesh, so to speak? I have long wanted a little talk with the leader of the Black Gang."

"I trust," murmured Hugh solicitously, "that the sun hasn't proved too much for you."

"Shall we drop this beating about the bush?" snapped the other.

"I shall drop you down the stairs if you talk to me like that, you d—d little microbe," said Hugh coldly, and the other got to his feet with a snarl. His eyes, glaring like those of an angry cat, were fixed on Drummond, who suddenly put out a vast hand to screen the lower part of the hunchback's face. With a cry of fear he recoiled, and Hugh smiled grimly. So it had been Mr. Atkinson himself who had flung the bomb the night before: the eyes that had glared at him through the crack in the door were unmistakably the same as those he had just looked into over his own hand. With the rest of the face blotted out to prevent distraction there could be no doubt about it, and he was still smiling grimly as he lowered his hand.

"So you think I'm the leader of the Black Gang, do you?" he remarked. "What are your grounds for this somewhat startling statement?"

"My grounds are these," said the hunchback, recovering his self-control: "last night my office in Hoxton was wrecked by a bomb. That bomb also killed a man."

"It did," agreed Hugh grimly.

"One of the three men who broke in. The other two escaped—how, I don't know. But one of them was recognized by the clerk downstairs."

"I gathered that was the story," said Hugh.

"He was recognized as the leader of the Black Gang—an unknown person. But today—at the Ritz, Captain Drummond—my clerk, who had brought me a message, recognized him again, without his disguise. No longer an unknown man, you understand—but you."

Drummond smiled, and selected a cigarette from his case.

"Very pretty," he answered, "but a trifle crude. As I understand you, I gather that your shrewd and intelligent clerk states that the leader of the Black Gang broke into your office last night in order to indulge in the doubtful pastime of throwing bombs about the premises. He further states that I am the humorist in question. Allowing for the moment that your clerk is sane, what do you propose to do about it?"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Fight Came First

The kindly old party saw two urchins fighting with more gusto than damage to themselves. He hurried up and separated the combatants. "Now, then," said he, "what's the argument about?" The warriors glared at each other while a youthful bystander piped up: "Argument, boss? There's no argument! They're fightin'! Tomorrow will be the argument!"

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One plant manufacturing rayon, or artificial silk, in the Netherlands, employs 5,000 people and plans to enlarge the output to include the making of artificial horse hair, artificial straw and other cellulose products.

Fight on Luxury

An anti-luxury society has been formed in Tokyo by students. It hopes to induce the wealthy people of Japan to discontinue habits of luxury.

Shuts Off "Snoopers"

A device to prevent eavesdropping outside telephone call-boxes is being tried at Fleetwood, England, post office. A "buzzer" has been installed which comes into operation as soon as the caller closes the door. It cannot be heard inside the box, but prevents those outside from overhearing the conversation.

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The miser hoards himself poor.

New Motor Fuel

A new motor alcohol made from molasses and the juice of the sugar palm is said to make starting easy and eliminate knocking and carbon troubles. Its disadvantage is the cost of manufacture, but extensive experiments are being made in Hawaii to overcome this. —Exchange.

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GOOD REASONS FOR TAX REDUCTION

Among the industries which suffer most heavily from taxation is lumber production. John W. Blodgett of Grand Rapids, Michigan, says two things are essential to increased prosperity, "the practice of thrift and economy in government and a change in federal taxation. Federal income taxes must be reduced to the point where ordinary business investment will be as attractive as investment in non-taxable securities. Death taxes must be either abolished or reduced to a point where they will not force a man to withdraw money from his business and put it into marketable securities at the time of his ripest judgment and powers."

WHO PROFITS MOST?

The gasoline tax spread over the country like a case of measles. Now tha tit has been established, the tendency is to increase the tax because it is an easy way to get tax money. Many states have a tax as high as 3 cents a gallon and proposals have already been made for as high as 6 cents. The gasoline tax is on the theory that the automobile owners profit most by the good roads, but it is safe to say that no one profits to as great an extent by such roads as do the property owners along them. Take the owner of property on the main street of any town or small city which is traversed by a paved state highway. The automobile driver who pays the tax to build the road increases the value of this property to such an extent that rents are doubled, trebled and quadrupled. There were 17,548,377 motor vehicles registered in the United States on July 1, last. If automobile owners could realize their political strength there would be less chance of their being penalized as gasoline purchasers.

RADIO AND HEALTH

The influence of the radio, increasing as it does the pleasures of farm life in the home, is a great factor in conservation of health.

Radio service in many of the states includes broadcasting of what are known as health exercises, or doing what is known as the "Daily Dozen."

These physical exercises in the home are supplemented by sending out illustrated charts free from the broadcasting station, illustrating the applicaion of this radio feature.

The managing director of one station reports requests from more than 5,000 homes for the illustrated physical culture chart.

When you consider that hundreds of stations in all parts of Our Country are sending out these health exercises, the radio as a family doctor is reaching millions of people.

STANFORD ASKED FOR HOSPITAL SITE BY PALO ALTO

W. L. Peet, chairman of the Hospital Committee of the Chamber of Commerce has addressed a letter to the trustees of Stanford University requesting that they provide a suitable site for a new hospital on the university campus.

The letter follows:

"I am directed by the hospital committee of the Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce to bring to the attention of your honorable body the question of the co-operation of the university with this community in a plan for the permanent solution of our hospital problem.

"We find that the inadequate accommodations of the present building and the fact that the building itself is a serious fire risk creates an emergency, and that a new and larger fire-proof building must be erected.

"We are unanimously of the opinion, that, if the university would be willing to provide a suitable site on the campus and also be responsible for the management of the hospital, the citizens of Palo Alto would be ready to undertake with enthusiasm the financing of a first class 100-bed hospital, either by bond issue or by a stock subscription or by a combination of the two.

"If such a proposition meets with your approval in principle, we should be glad to confer with representatives of your body as to the best way of working out the details of the plan.

"With confident expectation that in this matter as in similar public enterprises heretofore the university and the City of Palo Alto will be found working in most cordial co-operation, I am on behalf of the committee.

"W. L. PEET,
"Chairman."

Local people are asked to reserve Friday, November 20 for the bazaar to be held under the auspices of the Menlo Park Parent-Teacher Association. All kinds of fancy work will be on sale and it is a splendid place to obtain Christmas gifts for your family and friends. Remember the date and plan to attend.

Adventures in Non-sense

By THOMAS J. GLYNN

SHE AIN'T GOT NONE

I know a girl who never shows
Her legs in silken stockings,
She won't wear them where e'er she goes,
"To show one's limbs," she says, "is shocking."
But don't think she's real old fashioned, son,
She'd show her legs, but she ain't got none.

I know a girl who never, ever,
Lifts her voice in rage,
She's quiet as the shy Scotch heather,
Though she is not a sage.
But, don't thinks she wants to be quiet, son,
She'd use her voice, but she ain't got none.

I know a girl who "just enjoys"
To sit at home and sew,
She don't go out with any boys,
And hasn't got a beau.
But, she isn't really a man-hater, son,
She'd like a beau, but she ain't got none.

Another girl I know, who always
Leaps before she looks,
She acts like she were in a daze,
And doesn't care for books.
But, don't think it's affected, son,
She'd use her brains, but she ain't got none.

An Interview with A. Mortimer Sapp

Twenty years, three months and six minutes ago, I was picking currents in an electric light plant. Finding the work too "light" for me, I left and secured a splendid position carrying a sample case for a salesman of hand engraved ship's anchors. I learned many valuable things from him, as for instance, picking the olives out of your coffee without getting your elbows wet. It is to him that I attribute my success. He told me that I would some day hold a high position, and I do. I polish the gold balls on the tops of flag poles.

Never put off to borrow, someone who's sure to pay.

A stitch in Time never held the old boy back.

Said the girl with Bob to the girl with the bob,
"You're a boob to bob your bangs."
Said the girl with the bob to the girl with Bob,
"The air blows my hair when it hangs.

Love is like poison oak; easy to catch and hard to lose. Scratch it a bit and it flares right up, and promptly spreads all the more.

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WHEN the Hobgoblins hoot and the
When black cats prowl and misshapes—

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When maid and old maid hopefully look in the mirror at midnight—

When Jack O'Lanterns grin and fun reigns supreme—

That's the time we're all young again. For it's Hallowe'en—Boy—it's HALLOWE'EN!

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RAILROAD DINING CARS TO FEATURE CALIFORNIA APPLES

Travelers on limited trains operating throughout the West will have an opportunity to participate in National Apple Week which extends from October 31 to November 6.

In announcing this feature, Allan Pollok, superintendent of dining car serivce for the Southern Pacific company stated that hearty co-operation will be extended by the railroad in making National Apple Week a success.

Apples will be featured on all the company's dining cars during the seven day period. They will be served in almost every conceivable way to tempt the appetite of travelers. More than 40,000 special apple menus have been printed by the railroad and will be distributed on its dining cars operating between Portland, Ogden and New Orleans, said Pollok.

Southern Pacific chefs are now busy concocting new apple dishes. Among the many ways in which the delectable fruit will be served will include apple cake, apple fritters, apple strudel, apple pie, apple dumplings, fried apples, baked apples, apple sauce, apple compote, old fashioned apple cobbler and scores of other palate tempting ways.

Keen competition is expected to mark this year's obseration of National Apple Week. A special feature of the San Francisco committee program is a contest for the largest apple grown in the State of California. Growers are being urged to enter the contest and silver loving cups will be awarded to the largest and second largest apples submitted. The apples should be free from visible blemish, be grown in California and be submitted together with the name of grower to the San Francisco Committee. National Apple Week, 252 Clay street, San Francisco by 10 a. m. Monday, Nov. 2.

Another feature of the San Francisco celebration wil lbe the baking by the Southern Pacific Dining Car department of the world's largest apple cake. It will include more than five boxes of apples and weigh more than 350 pounds. Otto Reiss, supervising chef for the railroad is having the cake baked under his personal supervision. The mammoth cake will be presented by the railroad to the little orphans of the San Francisco Nursery for Homeless Children.

Tourists and travelers arriving in San Francisco during National Apple Week will be presented with the luscious California apples which have been donated by the various apple growers of the State. More than 11,000 boxes of apples are consumed on Southern Pacific dining cars annually, Pollok stated.

AMERICAN LEGION ANNUONCES STATE ESSAY PRIZE WINNERS

State Adjutant James K. Fisk, this week announced the three California winners in the American Legion's $1,500 national essay contest. They are: first prize, Miss Elinor Cole, Placerville; second prize Mary Louise Cleveland, Selma, and third, Robert McClelland of San Francisco.

Each of the California students wrote on the subject. "Why has the American Legion, an organization of veterans of the World War, dedicated itself first of all, 'To up-hold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America'?", the topic for the entire United States.

Silver and bronze medals are to be presented to the two girl students by State Commander Allen B. Bixby, and young McClelland is to be given a certificate of honor. Miss Cole, twelve-year-old Placerville High School student, will have her essay entered for the national prizes offered by the Legion.

Miss Grace Nichols of Healdsburg was the California winner last year and in the national competition was awarded third prize, a scholarship, which she is now enjoying at the College of the Pacific at Stockton.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Will C. Wood appointed at the request of the Legion, Ralph W. Swetman, president of the State Teachers' College; E. P. Clarke, president of the State Board of Education and Mrs. Harriet J. Eliel of Berkeley to serve as judges in the state contest.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.

Preaching services at 11:00 a. m.

Christian Endeavor Society meets at 7:00 p. m.

The church is located on Santa Cruz avenue near the Highway and a cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend all of these services.

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Business Conditions in the Twelfth Federal Reserve Dist.

By John Perrin, Chairman of the Board and Federal Reserve Agent, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, October 20, 1925

There was little change in the general business situation in the Twelfth Federal Reserve District during September. Seasonal increase sin total volume of trade were smaller than is usual but, comparing September, 1925, with September, 1924, a larger than normal annual increase in trade volume was shown. Industrial activity continued at high seasonal levels, and volume of employment was reported to be larger than in the previous month or the same month a year ago. The total value of agricultural output for 1925, expressed in terms of purchasing power, is estimated to be larger than in any past five years. Increased demand for credit, partly seasonal in character, was reflected in an expansion of loans, both at reporting member banks and at the Reserve Bank. Interest rates were unchanged.

This bank's index of bank debits, a measure of general business activity, declined from 146 (1919 monthly average—100) in August, 1925, to 143 in September, 1925, due allowance being made for normal seasonal variation. Actual figures reported by the banks showed an increase of 3.2 per cent from August, 1925, to September, 1925. In September, 1924, the index, adjusted for seasonal variations issued in 20 prin-

Building activity continued at high levels during September. The value of building permits issued in 20 principal cities of the district was less by 10.3 per cent than in August, which compares with an estimiated normal decrease from August to September of 13.0 per cent. District figures for September, 1925, were 5.9 per cent smaller in value than those for September, 1924, substantial increases at most of the reporting cities being more than offset by declines at Long Beach, Los Angeles, Pasadena and San Francisco, California.

Lumber production of reporting mills in four trade associations of the district exceeded their shipments and sales by 4.1 per cent and 10.0 per cent, respectively, during September, 1925. Production, shipments, and sales (orders) were larger in volume during September, 1925, than during September, 1924, although smaller than during August, 1925. Average daily production of petroleum in California during September, 1925, was 1.3 per cent (8,840 barrels) less than in August, 1925. Indicated consumption also decreased, however, and on September 30, 1925, stored stocks again reached a new record figure, 122,249,717 barrels. Flour output of 16 reporting milling companies in this district was 27.9 per cent larger in volume during September, 1925, than during August, 1925, compared with a five-year average increase of 18.7 per cent between these two months. Production during September, 1925, was larger by 1.4 per cent than during September, 1924, the first such annual increase reported since July, 1924. Millers' stocks of flour increased during September, but on October 1 were 21.2 per cent smaller than a year ago and 15.1 per cent below the five-year average for the same date.

Trade at retail, as reported by 32 department stores on seven principal cities of the district, was 0.5 per cent smaller in value during September, 1925, than during August, 1925. There is normally a seasonal decrease of approximately 4 per cent in value of sales during September as compared with August, and this bank's index, which is adjusted for seasonal variations, advanced from 148 (1919 monthly average—11) in August, 1925, to 153 in September, 1925. In September, 1924, it stood at 143. Value of sales of 194 wholesale firms in eleven lines of business was 4.9 per cent greater in September, 1925, than in September, 1924. In each month since June, 1925, value of sales at wholesale has been larger than in the corresponding month of 1924 by an amount equal to or greater than the estimated normal annual increase in trade at wholesale. Increase in physical volume of goods sold has probably not been as great as is indicated by figures of dollar value of sales, however, as prices at wholesale have risen over the year period.

The general level of wholesale prices, which had risen 3.4 per cent from May to August, 1925, declined slightly during September, 1925. The wholesale price index number of the Bureau of Labor Statistics (1913 prices—100) stood at 159.7 in September, 160.4 in August, 155.2 in May, the 1925 low point, and 161.0 in March, the 1925 high point. According to this index, the general level of prices at wholesale was 7.3 per cent higher in September, 1925, than in September, 1924, when it stood at 148.8. The Department of Agriculture's index number of farm (not wholesale) prices of 30 farm products (July, 1909-August, 1913 average—100) declined from 152 to 144 during September. This decrease was not accompanied by a corresponding decrease in prices of non-agricultural commodities, and the ration between the farm price index and the wholesale price index of non-agricultural commodities declined from 93 in August to 88 in September.

Demand for credit in the Twelfth Federal Reserve District increased during September, a partly seasonal movement. Total loans of reporting member banks were larger by $20,000,000 (1.8 per cent) on October 7, than on September 9, two-fifths of the increase, of $8,000,000, being in commercial loans, and three-fifths, or $12,000,000 in loans secured by stocks and bonds. Investments of these banks increased by $9,000,000 (1.9 per cent) during the four weeks period, and total loans and investments, at $1,611,000,000 on October 7, 1925, were at record levels. The total demand deposits held by the banks continued to decline during September and at the beginning of October was 1.8 per cent less than a year ago. Steady increase in time deposits was reported.

Changes in condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco during the four weeks ending October 14, 1925, were relatively slight. Discounts and holdings of investments purchased in the open market (United States securities and acceptances) were slightly larger on October than on September 16. Federal reserve note circulation declined during the four weeks period.

STANFORD BANK UNDER SAN FRANCISCO CONTROL

Control of the Stanford Bank of Palo Alto has been obtained by the Liberty Bank of San Francisco, it was announced in an Associated Press dispatch from that city Saturday. The San Francisco bank will also take over the supervision of the Peninsula Bank of Burlingame and the Daly City Bank.

No change in management of the Stanford Bank will be made, R. L. Cody, manager, stated, but an important announcement will be made next week.

Mr. Cody will continue as manager, and Allen A. Prior will act in the capacity of assistant manager. J. C. Freedman will have charge of the Mayfield Branch of the Stanford Bank.

The Liberty Bank of San Francisco is controlled by the Bancitaly corporation of New York and San Francisco.

Mrs. Kent Atwater and Miss L. H. White of Burlingame were in Menlo Park this week in the interest of a course of lectures to be given by Mrs. Grace Palmer Craig at the Woman's Club of San Mateo on "Psychoanalysis in Every Day Life." While here they called on Mrs. J. J. Garland of the Parent-Teacher Association and Mrs. Jay T Cooper of the Menlo Park Study Club.

NAVY DAY CELEBRATED TUESDAY IN PALO ALTO

On Tuesday evening the citizens of Palo Alto and vicinity joined with the school children in the celebration of Navy Day and paid homage to "Old Ironsides", the frigate Constitution which symbolizes the glorious traditions of the United States navy. and to Theodore Roosevelt. The Celebration was held in the Community House.

There were ten three minute talks by boys and girls of the grade schools and private schools of the city and Captain Leonard M. Cox, U. S. Navy, told of the need for naval preparedness.

A. C. Barker, city superintendent of schools announced that individual contirbutions made by the Palo Alto school children would total nearly $30 Each child was given an opportunity to give a penny or more to the "Old Ironsides" fund.

Mrs. Jay T Cooper of the Menlo Park Study Club attended the president's council of the California Federation of Women's Clubs in the Bank of Italy auditorium in San Francisco on Thursday. At this meeting it was decided to make these councils monthly affairs and to allow each club in the Federation four representatives. Similar groups will be organizaed in south by Dr. Bertola, the state president of Women's Clubs.

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9:30 a. m. Church school.
10:30 a. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon.
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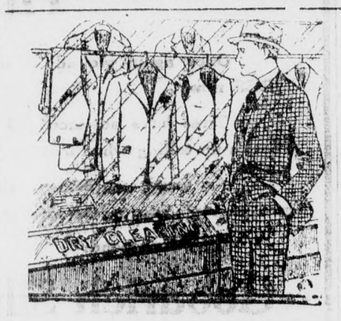

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Judge T. G. Allen, who has been probate judge of Chase county for the last seven years, during which time he has issued licenses for and married hundreds of couples, has observed a peculiar fact with reference to Mexican couples who come to his court for matrimonial purposes, says the Topeka Capital. He has found that in the majority of cases Mexican bridegrooms bring to the marriage altar brides who are older in years than the grooms themselves. That trait is not noticeable in any other nationality, the judge finds, as in the big majority of cases the bridegrooms are older than the brides. Just why the Mexicans should prefer a wife older is not quite clear, at least to this matrimonial court.

Hawaiian Islands Growing

According to scientists, the Hawaiian islands are gradually pushing up out of the ocean, and within a generation may form a territory as large as Japan.

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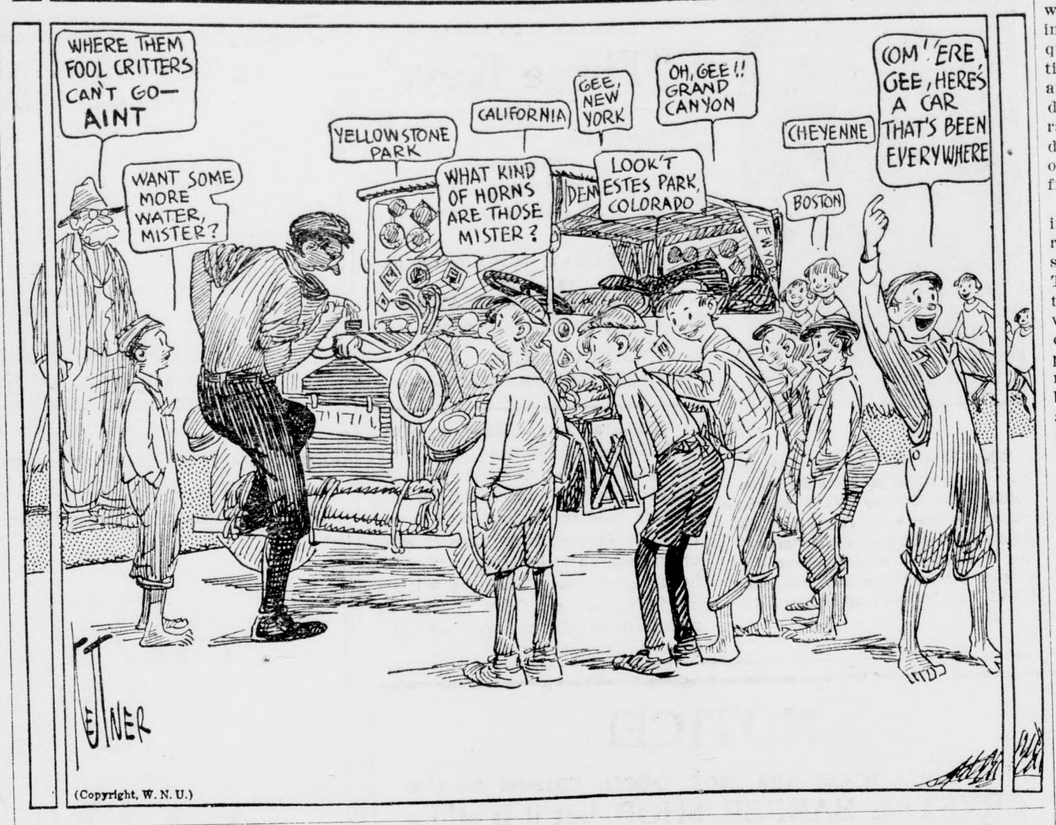

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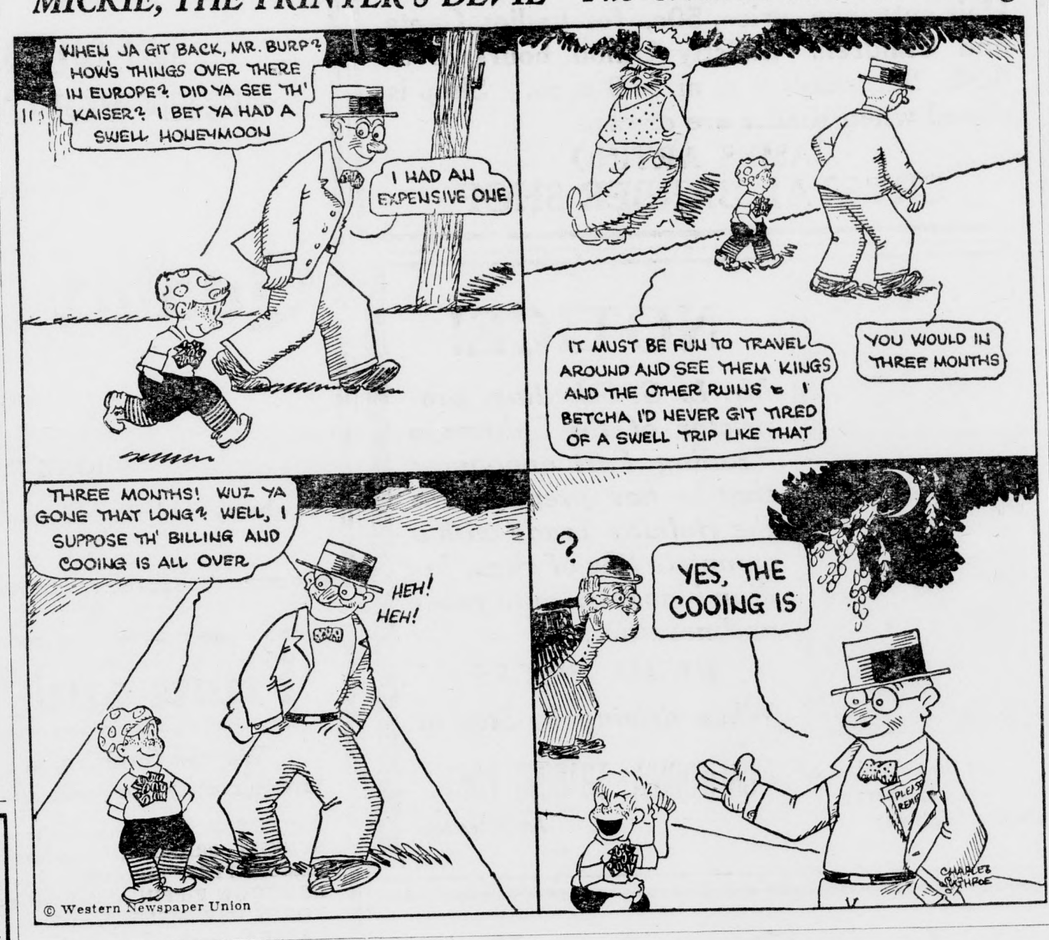

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Device That Gets Stronger Signals

Important Improvement in Tuned Radio Frequency Circuits.

When all of the better grade models of receiving sets are brought out this fall by the leading manufacturers it will be found that one of the principal improvements in the tuned radio frequency circuits will be the introduction of a 200,000-ohm variable resistance such as the centralab radiohm. Orders for more than a million of these radiohms from set manufacturers indicates the extent to which this method of controlling oscillation in radio frequency sets will be used.

With this improvement being made in the manufactured sets, there is no reason why the home set builder shouldn't take the same advantage. The accompanying diagram shows how the radiohm can be connected in series with the "B" battery lead to the plates of the radio frequency tubes. A bypass condenser of from one-half to one mfd., indicated by "C," is necessary between the negative filament lead and the primary of the radio frequency transformer.

Perfect Control of Tubes.

The purpose of making this change is to give perfect control of the tubes on all wave lengths. This tube control is vitally important. It has long been known that a set which will not whistle or squeal under certain conditions will not produce volume or distance.

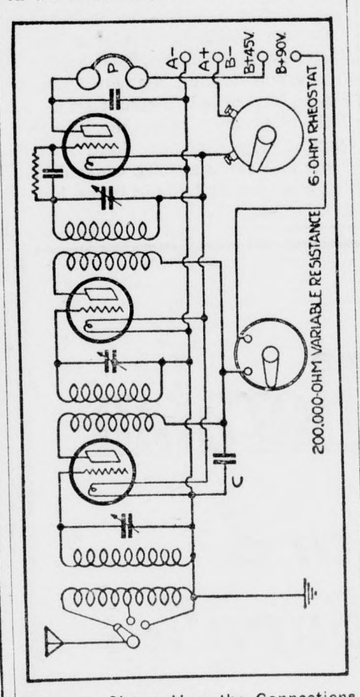


Diagram Shows How the Connections Are Made.

This whistle is actually caused by the carrier wave of an incoming signal combining with the high frequency wave generated in the set when the tubes are operated in a state of oscillation. For clear reception the tubes should be just below this point. In addition to causing whistles and squeals, the music or speech received will be mushy and distorted when the tubes are oscillating.

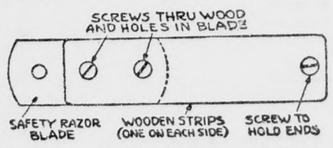
Control of Receiver.

Many types of receivers, of which the neutrodyne and tuned radio frequency types predominate, oscillate readily and require some means of control. Attempts to make receivers nonoscillating by means of small fixed condensers or by reducing the number of turns in the transformer primaries, are successful only at a sacrifice of volume and range. Over certain portions of the dial the set may operate satisfactorily, but over the whole range additional control of the tubes is necessary.

The majority of receiving sets are improperly neutralized or balanced. Faint signals can be brought in by turning up the rheostats, a poor and critical method of control, at best. By the use of a radiohm the receiver can be controled on all wave lengths with the noiseless variable resistance.

Homemade Wire Scraper With Safety Razor Blade

The sketch shows how a handy wire scraper can be made from an old blade. The screws through the hole in blade



should be as tight as possible so that the blade will be rigidly clamped between the two strips of wood. When one blade becomes dull, it can be easily replaced by another.—Radio Digest.

HINTS FOR BEGINNERS

Rubber tape is better than friction tape for aerial work.

Glass awning rings are tough and will stand enough strain to make them good aerial insulators.

Place the battery on frequent charge, rather than to allow it to reach the danger point of discharge.

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He Had Had Enough, and Announced Fact

Albert, age three, went with his mother to a family reunion. Music and speeches occupied the morning, and then, as the program grew to a satisfactory close, an old uncle rose to pronounce the benediction. Albert looked all around inquiringly, then seeing that his mother's head was bowed, lowered his own with a sigh and an air of forced resignation.

The benediction, characterized by faltering speech and many pauses, was long drawn out. The fact, together with certain mysterious sounds issuing from the direction of the dinner table spread beneath the trees nearby and a growing restlessness becoming evident in the crowd, were not lost on Albert. As the uncle reached the point of making his most touching appeal and absolute silence prevailed, Albert slid from his seat, clapping his hands loudly and shouting:

"I've had enough of that. Come on mother, dinner's ready!"—Indianapolis News.

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Boys Study Leather

A junior technical day school for training boys for the boot and shoe trade has been opened in connection with the Cordwainers' Technical college in London, England. The course will be divided between general education and trade subjects.

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Trout Eggs

Nearly 50,000 rainbow trout eggs were recently shipped from Montana to Honolulu and successfully transferred to Hawaiian streams for hatching.—Science Service.

After all, man is improving. As a rule, he doesn't swear very much when he is tinkering up the family automobile.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lambe have taken an apartments in Palo Alto for the winter.

Mrs. F. Kurtz has been quite ill at her home on Santa Cruz avenue during the past week.

The Junior Christian Endeavorers gave a Hallowe'en party on Thursday evening.

H. E. Ritscher of Mayfield was a visitor at the J. E. Cooper garage here yesterday.

Frank Caine, an attorney recently from Chicago, and who has been living in Palo Alto, is moving with his family into a beautiful new home on San Mateo avenue, Menlo Park.

Mrs. Hans Agard of Oak Grove avenue left for Los Angeles Wednesday and expects to be away for several weeks.

The new garage building on the highway next to the building occupied by the Bear Gulch Water Company has been completed and is being occupied by the firm of Carle Brothers which has in the past been quartered in the old Menlo Garage at the depot. Machinery is being installed and the garage will be one of the most up-to-date on the peninsula.

The roads in the Felton tract have been hard surfaced and otherwise improved.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Keele of Pacific Grove have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chandler here for the past week.

The Show window of the Safety Electric Works presents a very fine appearance with its collection of Hallowe'en cats, pumpkins and witches.

It is reported that San Francisco parties have an option on the Slinger building. There is every possibility that this fine property will be sold in the very near future.

A picture of the float used by the Native Sons and Daughters in the big Diamond Jubilee Parade in San Francisco is on display in the window of the "Green Door" and is attracting much attention.

The Menlo Park Branch of the National Council of Catholic Women met in the Church of the Nativity hall here Wednesday afternoon and made plans for a big bazaar to be held on the evening of Saturday, December 12. Committees to handle the various booths and entertainment features will be announced later.

George Allen is having a beautiful new $6000 home built on Middle avenue in the Hermosa Tract. The new home is being built by C. E. Rothschild and will be of the Spanish type having hard wood floors and every modern convenience that can possibly be built into a home at this time.

Mrs. J. J. Garland gave a Hallowe'en party for the little folks at her home Thursday afternoon. The rooms were prettily decorated in Hallowe'en colors and the youngsters had the time of their lives.

"Senator" Schultz

When "Senator" Schultz, dialectician, gets warmed up in his discourse through the Crosley WLW microphone, he starts to emphasize his points by holding onto the "mike." He is scheduled to talk about the current political situation, Election Night, Tuesday, November 2, at 8:15 o'clock.

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